

its hybrid character. It seems to me safer to keep the original term proposed by Hope, the discoverer of the insect, since this course avoids all philological discussion, with which zoölogists are not primarily concerned and perhaps not always competent to enter upon. It seems likely also that in the future *all* rules limiting the action of the law of priority upon the published name will of themselves fall from lack of authority, and that preoccupation will remain the only bar to the use of the original title.

Teinopalpus imperialis.

Radius five-branched, generalized; iii_3 at or just beyond the point of juncture of cross-vein; iii_4 and iii_5 a long furcation. Vein iv_1 radial, nearing radius; cross-vein between iv_1 and iv_2 inwardly curved, degenerate. Vein iv_2 distinctly cubital, continuous. Submedian fold (vein vi) indicated, strongly so at base; between the fold and cubitus obliquely placed and faint traces of the vanished cubital cross-vein. On secondaries humeral cell narrow, elongate; the marginal veins subequally strong, the upper slightly thicker, a Parnassian character. Cell entire on secondaries, vein iv_2 cubital. Internal vein straight, continued to anal angle.

Contrary to what has seemed to me elsewhere the almost general rule, the primaries appear here, as also in the Parnassiidae, more specialized than the secondaries. The falcate fore wings, the sharp outlines, while imparting to this butterfly an artificial look, remind one of the Charaxinae. The movement of the media in disintegration is Parnassian, while the presence of vein ix on primaries decides at once its position as a member of the Papilionides.

Stated Meeting, February 3, 1899.

Vice-President SELLERS in the Chair.

Present, 19 members.

A letter was read from the President announcing the appointment of the Standing Committees for 1899, as follows:

Finance.—Messrs. Philip C. Garrett, William V. McKean and Joel Cook.

Publication.—Messrs. Daniel G. Brinton, Henry C. Baird, Patterson DuBois, I. Minis Hays and Joseph Willcox.

Hall.—Messrs. Horace Jayne, Joseph M. Wilson and Harold Goodwin.

Library.—Messrs. George F. Barker, T. Hewson Bache, Samuel P. Sadtler, Albert H. Smyth and Joseph G. Rosengarten.

To fill vacancy on Michaux Committee, Prof. Joseph T. Rothrock.

Announcement was made of the death of Mr. J. Blodgett Britton, at Warrenton, Va., January 19, 1899.

Vice-President Sellers then delivered the Annual Address, his subject being "Electrical Transmission of Energy."

Prof. Keiser made a communication "On a Liquid Acetylene Diodide," which was discussed by Dr. Sellers.

The Society was adjourned by the presiding officer.

Stated Meeting, February 17, 1899.

Vice-President SELLERS in the Chair.

Present, 11 members.

Minutes of stated meeting held February 3 were read and approved.

The minutes of January 20 were amended to show that nominations 1488 and 1489 were then read for the first time.

Donations to the Library were announced.

A letter from Dr. Frazer was read, presenting the obituary notice of Prof. E. D. Cope, which was also read to the Society. Remarks on the same were made by Messrs. Sellers and Cleemann.

On motion of Dr. DaCosta, the thanks of the Society were voted to Dr. Frazer for the great care he has taken in the preparation of the obituary notice of Prof. Cope.

The Clerk of the Council reported that, no quorum being present on February 10, no business was transacted.

Dr. Hays offered a resolution that a *Conversazione* be given